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Honorable Lee Yeakel  
United States District Judge  
200 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Austin, Texas 78701

RE: Debbie Davidson As Attorney-In-Fact For James and Norma Hoes v. United States of America; Civil Action No.: 06-CA-075-LY (W. D. TX- Austin Division)

Dear Judge Yeakel:

This letter is being provided as a settlement status update on the above reference case. The parties executed final settlement documents on February 1, 2007. The parties are waiting for the United States to fund settlement. The parties anticipate that the settlement will fund within the next two weeks. Once the settlement has funded, the parties will file the appropriate dismissal documents without delay.

Respectfully Submitted,

*/s/ James A. Rodman*

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cc: Jim Gilligan (via facsimile)  
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